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Title : METHOD FOR SCREENING COMPOUNDS INHIBITING SIGNAL
TRANSDUCTION THROUGH INFLAMMATORY CYTOKINES

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed September 27, 2002, applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-11 and 27, drawn to the embodiment of methods of screening test compounds for the inhibition of signaling through inflammatory cytokines, wherein the methods comprise an assessment of the test compounds to inhibit the binding of TAK1 and TAB1. The election is made without traverse.

As requested by the Examiner, applicants submit herewith complete copies of all non-patent literature (References AE-AM on Form 1449) previously filed in incomplete form with the Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants apologize for the oversight.

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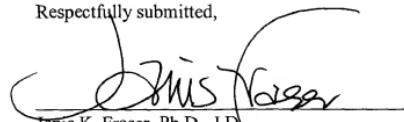
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